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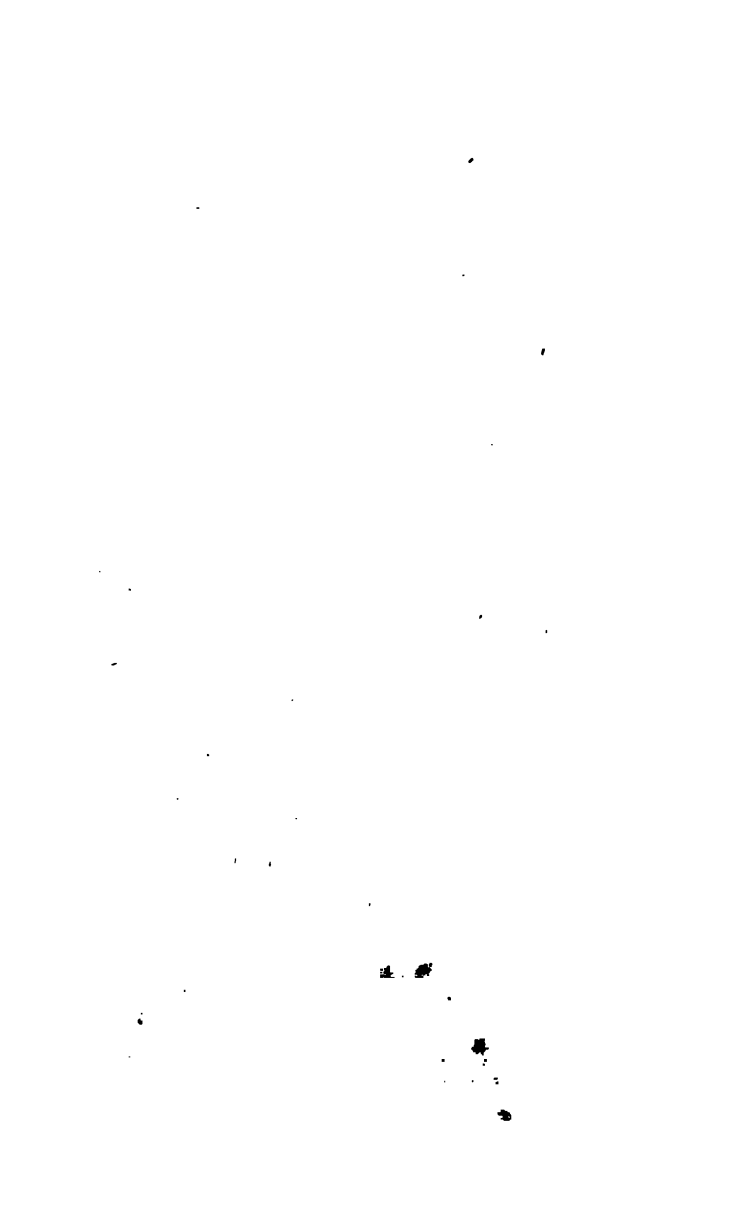




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## EDITOR'S PREFACE.



IT was well known to many of those who were intimately acquainted with the revered Author of the First Series in the following Manual, that he had been repeatedly and earnestly requested, from many quarters, to extend his original Work, which had been received with very general approbation by the Christian community.

That it was his intention to comply with this request appears evident from the circumstance, that among his manuscripts a book has been found, on the first leaf of which a considerable portion of a Prayer for the Lord's Day Morning has been written by him in a clear and distinct hand. It is regretted that the remainder of that book consists of blank leaves only.

It has been the endeavour of the present Editor to supply from the resources of his own mind, with the aid of Scripture and our admirable Church Liturgy, that lack of service, which, there is reason to believe, the lamented removal of his revered Parent has occasioned.

He has made it his object to adhere as closely as possible to the scriptural simplicity of the former Series; in the revision of which he has *for various reasons* SCRUPULOUSLY followed the interleaved copy of the Author, containing his latest alterations and corrections. How far he has succeeded, in the whole undertaking, it is for others, not for himself, to decide.

J. K.

*Vicarage, Halifax,* }  
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cellency which our Liturgy affords; but he has done his best.

His view was to furnish the well-disposed families, in his Parish, with those helps to devotion which they appear to want. The shorter forms, at the end, have been furnished by another hand, and two of them borrowed from a late Publication.\*

\* The shorter Forms, &c. are omitted in the present enlarged Edition.

# PRAYERS.



## FIRST SERIES.



### LORD'S DAY MORNING.

**O** GOD, thou art our God ; early will we seek thee ; hearken unto the voice of our calling, O our God and King, for unto thee will we direct our prayer, and look up.

We are thankful that thou hast permitted us to approach thee, and encouraged us to come boldly to the throne of thy grace.

Let us now find thee, through Jesus Christ, gracious unto us ; receive

our prayers and supplications, and send us not empty away.

It hath pleased thee to preserve us once more through the night-season, and to restore us to the light of another day. O fill our hearts with gratitude, and our mouths with thy praises.

And as this is thy own day, enable us to rejoice in it, and devote it to thy service. May it be indeed a sabbath to us ! a day of rest from sin and worldly cares, as well as from worldly employments.

Preserve us from a light and trifling spirit, from sinful and vain discourse, from bodily drowsiness and sluggishness of soul.

Raise our thoughts and affections to things above ; and quicken our desires after our heavenly inheritance.

Be graciously present with us, O Lord our God, in public and in private. Let the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight.

Be pleased, especially, to be with us in thy house of prayer : pour out upon us the spirit of grace and supplication : enable us to worship thee in spirit and in truth, that our service and sacrifice may not be that of fools.

May thy word, whether read or preached, be made profitable to us. Teach us to know the joyful sound, and to rejoice in it. Yea, may our souls be satisfied in thy house, as it were with marrow and fatness, that our mouths may praise thee with joyful lips.

Let thy blessing rest abundantly



this day upon thy ministering servants, and waiting people, everywhere. Prepare their hearts to seek thee, and answer them according to the multitude of thy mercies.

May the word preached here, and elsewhere, be attended with great success : may multitudes find it to be the power of God unto salvation.

Pity those, O Lord, who are destitute of the means of grace, and pardon those who have them, but refuse or neglect to attend upon them ; may it please thee to send out thy light and truth, and to bring back such wanderers to the fold of God.

Preserve us, of thy goodness, this day, outwardly in our bodies, as well as inwardly in our souls. Bless us as a family. May thy peace be vouchsafed to this house, and thy

fear and love rule and direct all our hearts.

Remember for good all our dear friends, relations, and neighbours; forgive our enemies, and turn their hearts.

With these our prayers, accept, heavenly Father, the tribute of our thanks for all thy favours to us: great and manifold are they; we cannot number them. Lord, teach us to reflect upon them more and more.

We desire especially to praise thee for the unspeakable gift of thy Son Jesus Christ, and for the rich provision thou hast made for our salvation through Him.

In his name we offer these our prayers and praises: Lord, accept them for his sake, and hear us while we use those words wherein He has

taught us to address thee in behalf of ourselves and others.

**OUR** Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**THE** Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with us all evermore. Amen.

## LORD'S DAY EVENING.

**O** THOU High and Holy One, that inhabitest eternity, great art thou, and greatly to be feared; for thou art God alone, and besides thee there is none other: heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

Teach us to reverence thee at all times, and to bow the knee before thee, with unfeigned humility.

How great is thy goodness in regarding such creatures as we are! How many and marvellous are thy blessings conferred upon us!

Lord, make us ashamed of the coldness and insensibility of our hearts, which have so little love to thee, notwithstanding all that thou hast done, and art continually doing, for us.

Stir up, we pray thee, our gratitude and love, that out of the fulness of the heart our tongues may speak thy praises, and be telling of thy salvation from day to day.

Blessed be thy name that we hear the joyful sound of the Gospel; that we were not born in a land of darkness, and the shadow of death.

Blessed be thy name that thou hast not left us, in hardness of heart, to pour contempt upon thy offered mercy: we humbly trust thou hast inclined the desires of our souls towards thee, and the knowledge of thy ways.

Increase, O Lord, these desires after thee; unite our hearts to love and fear thee, and direct our feet into the way of thy testimonies.

Grant that the words, which we have heard this day with our out-

ward ears, may be grafted inwardly in our hearts. May the good seed of the word take deep root, and bring forth much fruit, to the glory of thy name, the comfort of our souls, and the credit of our Christian profession.

Pardon whatever thou hast seen amiss in our services; for iniquity cleaves even to our holy things. Enter not into judgment with us, but for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake do away our offences. Pardon the wandering of our thoughts, the levity of our minds, and the coldness of our hearts.

Pardon our unbelief, neglect, and contempt of thy word; and give us a heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments.



May thy blessing follow the labours of all thy faithful ministers, who have stood up in thy name this day : may the seed they have sown be as bread cast upon the waters, which may be found after many days.

O let thy word run and be glorified ; wherever it is preached, let its power and influence be felt : let sinners be turned in abundance from the error of their ways, and thy saints grow in grace, and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Pity those who bear the Christian name, but are strangers to Christ, the hope of glory : Lord, shew them their danger, and bring them to true repentance.

Have compassion upon this kingdom and nation ! We are indeed a

sinful people ! O remember not our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers ; but spare us, good Lord, and turn away from us those evils which we have most righteously deserved.

Hear the prayers which we have been this day offering up in behalf of our King, our countrymen, our friends, and our enemies: bless them all as they stand in need.

Accept the tribute of our thanks for the mercies of the past day: keep us this night from sin and danger ; and be pleased, through life, to guide us by thy counsel, and finally to receive us to eternal glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.



## MORNING PRAYER I.

**O** LORD, heavenly Father, it is meet and right that we should bow the knee before thee, to adore thy sovereign Majesty, and to praise thee for thy goodness, which endureth yet daily.

Every morning thy mercies towards us are renewed; great is thy faithfulness.

Thanks be to thee for thy fatherly care of us through another night; we lay down and slept, and have risen in safety: surely thou, Lord, didst sustain us; surely thou art He that maketh us continually to dwell in safety.

To thee we are indebted, O heavenly Father, for the food which we eat, the raiment wherewith we are

clothed, and the comfortable habitation wherein we dwell : Blessed be thy name for these, and all other mercies pertaining to the present life.

Make us more especially thankful for the good word of thy grace ; that we have the free use of our Bibles, and peaceable opportunities of worshipping thee in public and in private.

But, above all, we would bless and praise thee, O God, for thy wonderful love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ. For this we hope to sing and praise thy name through all eternity ! Lord, help us to begin the song now in the house of our pilgrimage.

Open our lips this morning, that our mouths may shew forth thy praise ; and help us to shew it, not

with our lips only, but in our lives ; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days.

Be with us this day, in our going out and coming in. Make us watchful and circumspect in all our walk and conversation.

Put thy fear into our hearts, O God, that we may be kept from sinning against thee. Make us truly desirous to know thy blessed will, and grant us grace, wisdom, and courage to perform it.

Keep us mindful, good Lord, of the deceitfulness of our hearts, that we may not venture into a world of danger and temptation, trusting in our own strength, or good resolutions ; but may ever look up to thee

for wisdom to direct, for strength to support, and for grace to sanctify and keep us.

Enable us to preserve a conscience void of offence, both towards thee, and towards men ; and to shew such meekness and gentleness in our whole carriage, as becomes the disciples of the Lord Jesus.

Subdue in us all pride and self-conceit : teach us, in lowliness of mind, to esteem others better than ourselves.

Grant us a proper frame of spirit under all the dispensations of thy providence. May we not be lifted up in heart, or forget thee in prosperity, nor murmur against thee in the day of adversity.

Hear us, in mercy, for his sake who loved us, and gave Himself for us.

To Him, with thyself, O Father,  
and the Holy Ghost, be ascribed all  
honour and glory, world without end.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

#### EVENING PRAYER I.

O MERCIFUL and gracious Lord  
God, what shall we render unto thee  
for the blessings which we are con-  
tinually receiving from thee !

Surely day testifieth unto day, and  
night unto night, that thou art good  
and kind to the unthankful and evil.

By thy protecting care and kind  
providence, we are brought so far  
towards the close of another day.  
Blessed be thy name for continued  
life and health ; for our food and sus-  
tenance ; and for safety and deliver-  
ance amidst dangers and difficulties.

Thou knowest, Lord, how many of our fellow-creatures have been called into Eternity since we last worshipped at thy footstool, while *we* are yet in the land of the living. O that, as it becomes the living, we may praise thee unfeignedly, love thee supremely, and devote ourselves to thee unreservedly !

Be pleased, for thy Son Jesus Christ's sake, to look graciously upon us this evening. Lord, what wait we for ? Surely our hope is even in thee : Thou alone canst make us happy ; for with thee is the Well of Life, and it is only in thy light that we can see light.

Make us therefore humble and ashamed when we reflect upon our folly and sin, in forsaking thee the fountain of living waters, and seek-



ing our happiness in temporal enjoyments.

May the time past suffice to have wrought such madness ! Pardon us, good Lord, and make us wise, for the future, to know the things which belong to our peace.

Unite our hearts to fear thy name ; draw out the desires of our souls after thee ; may our best affections be fixed upon thee ; and may we be enabled to rejoice in thee, as in Christ reconciling the world to thyself, not imputing their trespasses unto them.

Teach us ever to remember whose name we bear, and not only to depart from iniquity, but to abstain even from the appearance of evil, that the Gospel of Christ may not, on our account, be reproached by its adversaries.

Deliver us, good Lord, from an evil heart of unbelief; from self-sufficiency and pride. And every root of bitterness, which might spring up and trouble us, be pleased, in mercy, to take away.

Hear us graciously in behalf of those for whom we wish and ought to pray.

Bless all our dear friends and relations with every needful good for life and godliness. Reward our benefactors and well-wishers abundantly into their bosom. Forgive our enemies, and all that have injured us, and give *us* grace cordially to forgive them.

Take us, in mercy, under thy protection this night: Watch over us, and suffer no calamity to come nigh us, or our dwelling: Refresh these



frail bodies with needful repose ; and keep us mindful that ere long we shall sleep to awake no more in this world : Whenever that solemn period shall come, may we be found ready for it, that we may sleep in Jesus, and awake to a joyful resurrection.

Lord, grant us these, and all other needful blessings, for his sake ; to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## MORNING PRAYER II.

**O** THOU that makest the out-goings of the morning and evening to rejoice, fill our hearts with joy and gratitude this morning : for surely we have

cause to bless thee, and to rejoice in thee.

Thou hast, in great kindness, been pleased to deliver us from the perils of darkness, and hast spared us to see the light of another day.

Many calamities might have befallen us, but thou hast in mercy preserved us from all: accept the tribute of our praise, feeble and imperfect as it is, and help us to praise and serve thee better.

We desire now again to commit ourselves into thy hands. Be thou our defender and comforter this day. Direct us in the path of our duty: protect us from dangers, and cheer our hearts with the light of thy countenance.

Make us, in all things, desirous to please, and fearful to offend thee.

Make us jealous and watchful over our own hearts. Teach us to walk in all godliness, and with all circumspection, knowing that the enemies of the Gospel watch for our halting.

Preserve us by thy grace from idleness, either in our temporal or spiritual concerns. May we never be slothful in business, but fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.

Preserve us from covetousness and a worldly mind; incline our hearts to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, trusting to thy word, that all other things shall be added unto us.

Preserve us from a proud look and haughty carriage. Thou knowest, Lord, that we have nothing wherein we ought to pride ourselves, but much whereof we ought to be ashamed.

Make us humble, courteous, and kind, in lowliness of mind esteeming others better than ourselves.

Preserve us from peevishness and fretfulness of spirit, from violent passion and anger, from secret sullenness and resentment, and from every other unbecoming and unchristian temper.

Grant that we may be truly renewed in the spirit of our minds, *that we may put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.*

Grant that the fruits of thy Spirit may appear and abound in us. Give us an increase of love, joy, and peace in believing. Strengthen our faith, and may our hope be as an anchor of the soul, sure and steadfast.

Grant that our outward walk and conduct may prove that we are true

disciples of the Lord Jesus. Teach us to shew all long-suffering, gentleness, and goodness. Make us upright in our dealings with all men ; sober and temperate in our enjoyments ; kind and tender-hearted towards our fellow-creatures ; forgiving, as we hope, for Christ's sake, to be forgiven of thee.

Let our prayers come up before thee in behalf of thy church and people. May they ever find thee a very present help in time of trouble.

Strengthen those that do stand ; comfort and help the weak-hearted ; raise up them that fall ; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

Look down in mercy upon such as languish on beds of sickness, or are in any other kind of affliction and distress. Sanctify their trials, and

give them reason, in the issue, to bless thee for them.

Hear us, Father of mercies ;—pardon our unworthiness, and send us an answer of peace, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Lord and Saviour.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## EVENING PRAYER II.

**ALMIGHTY** and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve ; help us to draw near to thee at this time, with humility and thankfulness ; for truly we have much cause to be humbled, and much to be thankful.

Thou art ever mindful of us, though we are too forgetful of thee ; thou art



inviting us by daily mercies to gratitude and love : but alas ! our deceitful hearts are continually apt to start aside like a broken bow : we are ever ready to revolt and go backward. Lord, have mercy upon us ! Turn thou us, and we shall be turned ; draw us, and we will run after thee.

Blessed be thy name, that there is forgiveness with thee in Christ Jesus ; for his sake extend thy mercy and pardon to us ; heal our backslidings ; receive us graciously ; and love us freely.

Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew right spirits within us. Make us more humble, more thankful, more holy.

Turn our feet to the way of thy testimonies. Give us an increasing love of thy holy word. Dispose and

incline us to read it more frequently, to meditate upon it more seriously, and to pray over it more fervently.

Open the eyes of our understandings, that we may see and admire the wonders which it contains. May we firmly believe its important declarations, rejoice in its precious promises, and order our walk and conversation by its holy precepts and instructions.

O graft in our hearts the love of thy name; increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same.

Remember thy church and people, wherever dispersed, and however distressed. May grace, in abundance, be with all them that love the Lord Jesus, by whatever name they are distinguished among men.



Bless all who labour in thy word and doctrine ; make them wise to win souls ; give them zeal and patience in the discharge of their important office ; and, after having preached to others, may they not themselves be cast away.

Pity the nations that yet lie in darkness and the shadow of death. May it please thee to send forth thy light and thy truth, that thy way may be known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations.

Pity and convert those that have the light of the Gospel, but love darkness rather than light, because their deeds are evil.

O look in mercy upon this nation. Great are our privileges ; but great are our iniquities. Enter not into judgment with us, O Lord, but send

forth among us a spirit of repentance and reformation. Revive thy work in the midst of the days, that we may be indeed a people fearing God, and working righteousness.

Bless our gracious Sovereign ; may he long be continued a nursing father to thy church. Bless all in authority under him ; may they be a terror to evil-doers ; and for the praise of them that do well.

Remember the afflicted and distressed ; sanctify their troubles, and in due time remove them.

Bless all our friends, and forgive our enemies ; take them and us to the arms of thy mercy this night. Pardon the sins of the day, and make us heartily thankful for all the mercies of it. O that we may lie down with gratitude in our hearts, and thy

blessing upon our heads ; and, if we rise again, may it be to praise and serve thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### MORNING PRAYER III.

**O** LORD God Almighty, be pleased in mercy to look down upon us unworthy sinners ; and for the sake of Jesus Christ, the righteous, accept our prayers and supplications.

Teach us, O Lord, to consider it not only as a duty, but a privilege, to draw near unto thee. Make us sensible that we are utterly unworthy of such a favour, and thankful that we are nevertheless indulged with it.

We have grievously sinned against thee, O Father Almighty. We have

abundant reason to be covered with shame and confusion of face, when we reflect upon our numberless transgressions in thought, word, and deed. O give us true repentance, even repentance unto salvation, not to be repented of.

Forgive us, we beseech thee, our manifold sins, negligences, and ignorances. Pardon, O Lord, and heal our souls: endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy word.

Make us truly thankful to thee, O God, for preserving us through the night past, and for raising us up from our beds in health, peace, and safety.

May it please thee to be our guardian and our guide this day. We live in a world in which dangers conti-

nally threaten both our bodies and our souls; and thou, Lord, only canst effectually defend and save us. Take us therefore under thy care. Watch over us for good; and in every lawful undertaking vouchsafe us thy blessing.

Teach us to set thee continually before us. In all our ways may we acknowledge thee; and do thou in mercy direct our paths.

Grant, Lord, that our necessary engagements in this world may never make us unmindful of another, or cause us to loiter in our spiritual course; but may we have grace so to pursue things temporal, that we lose not finally the things which are eternal.

May we be of the number of those who are hungering and thirsting af-



ter righteousness. May we be earnestly desirous to know more of thee the only true God, and of Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

O leave us not foolishly to pride ourselves in the name of Christians, while destitute of the Spirit of Christ, and unacquainted with the power and influence of his Gospel.

Give us to see our need of Him and of his salvation, if we have not yet seen it; if we have, keep us ever mindful of it, and quicken our desires after an increasing knowledge of him.

Keep us, this day, O Lord, in thy fear, and in the path of duty: may our thoughts, words and actions be under thy governance: may no temptation of the world, the flesh or the devil prevail against us, but may our

conversation be as becometh the Gospel of Christ, in all sobriety, godliness, and honesty; and whatever we do, in word or deed, may we do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks unto God and the Father through Him.

Lord, make us thankful for all thy blessings in providence and grace. May the streams of goodness which flow from thee, direct our hearts to thee, the fountain of all good, in love and gratitude unfeigned.

Hear us, O gracious God, for the sake of Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour, in whose holy name, and comprehensive form of words, we now conclude our requests unto thee, saying,

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## EVENING PRAYER III.

**ALMIGHTY** and ever-living God, preserved by thy power and goodness, we once more bow down at thy footstool. For Jesus Christ's sake incline thine ear, and hear us. Let our prayer come before thee as incense, and the lifting up of our hands be as an acceptable evening sacrifice.

We are not indeed worthy to offer to thee any sacrifice; we are not worthy even to come into thy presence; but, blessed be thy name, thou hast provided a way for us: through our Lord Jesus Christ we are not only permitted, but encouraged to come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Lord, as guilty sinners, we need



mercy; as frail creatures, we need grace and strength continually. O remember us, and deal with us according to thy goodness. Open the stores of thy bounty, O thou that givest liberally, and upbraidest not ! We are here before thee needy and destitute ; bringing, as it were, our empty vessels ; Lord, give unto us of the water of Life ; replenish us out of the fulness which is in Christ Jesus.

Thou knowest, O Lord, our several cases and circumstances much better than we are able to describe them ; and thou knowest what blessings will be most suitable to each of us. O bestow them upon us, that our souls may praise thee. And whatever may be needful to promote our real growth in grace and holi-

ness, mercifully give, though we, through our ignorance, may neglect to pray for it.

Enable us, with true resignation and confidence, to commit ourselves, with all our cares and concerns, into thy hands. May we bear patiently whatever trials may be allotted us ; firmly trusting in thy word, that all things shall work together for good to them that love thee.

Give us a grateful sense of thy past mercies. O how great is the sum of them ! If we should count them, they are more in number than the sand.

We have this day received fresh favours, for which it becomes us to be very thankful this evening. We have to praise thee for the continuance of life. We might have been

suddenly cut off, and sent into eternity, as in a moment.

We have to thank thee for the degree of health which we enjoy. We might have been groaning on the bed of sickness, as many of our fellow-creatures are.

We have to thank thee for the continued use of our reason and bodily limbs: How many, from the loss of these, are a distress to themselves, and to their friends around them!

Lord! what are we, that thy mercies to us should be so many and great! O that, as we ought, we may love thee more, and serve thee better!

Of thy tender mercies in Christ Jesus, forgive what thou hast seen amiss in us in the course of the day

past ; for in many things, alas ! we offend, and that continually.

And be pleased, O thou Shepherd of Israel, who never slumberest nor sleepest, to protect us during the silent hours of the night. Preserve us from the attacks of ungodly men, from the wicked designs of evil spirits, and from disquieting thoughts and dreams.

Refresh us with a due portion of sleep, that we may be better fitted for the duties of another day, if we should be preserved to see one.

And whenever the hour of death shall come, may we be found ready. May we resign our departing spirits into thy hands ; and may they be conducted by appointed angels to the mansions of eternal glory. We ask

all for Jesus Christ's sake, our most blessed Lord and Saviour.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

#### MORNING PRAYER IV.

UNTO thee do we lift up our eyes,  
O thou that dwellest in the heavens !  
Behold ! as the eyes of servants look  
unto the hand of their master, and as  
the eyes of a maiden unto the hand  
of her mistress, even so our eyes wait  
upon thee, O Lord our God. Cast us  
not away from thy presence, though  
we are unworthy and sinful crea-  
tures ; but for Jesus Christ's sake,  
hide thy face from our sins, and blot  
out all our transgressions.

Lift up, we beseech thee, O Lord,

the light of thy countenance upon us, and thereby put joy and gladness into our hearts, that we may enter upon the duties of this day with proper vigour and activity, and meet the several events of it with cheerfulness and resignation.

Thou knowest, O Lord, the perils to which we are exposed in the present world. Many and powerful are the adversaries of our souls, and our own strength is perfect weakness. Hold thou us up, and we shall be safe.

Make us, this day, to go in the path of thy commandments. O turn away our eyes from beholding vanity, and quicken thou us in thy way. Direct our view more steadfastly to the glorious hope set before us. Shew us the emptiness of the present world, and all it has to boast, that we may



learn to live above it, seeking for those better things which are laid up with God in Christ Jesus.

Be with us this day in all that lies before us. Leave us not, nor forsake us, O God of our salvation, lest we fall an easy prey to the enemies of our souls.

Endue us with wisdom and grace to conduct ourselves as becomes the disciples of the Lord Jesus: and preserve us from ever being ashamed of Him, or his Gospel, in this sinful and adulterous generation.

Keep us, O Lord, amidst our lawful engagements and necessary connections with the present world, from being tainted with the spirit and temper of such as fear not thee. Preserve us from undue compliances with the maxims and customs of the

age; that we may not be carried away by the torrent of fashion, nor be prevailed upon to do any thing which may grieve thy Holy Spirit, or wound our own consciences.

And now, O Lord, while we pray to thee for the blessings of which we stand in need, help us to praise thee sincerely for those which we are continually receiving.

Blessed be thy name for sleep and protection by night, and for mercies and comforts by day. Thanks be to thee for blessings upon our persons, upon our substance, and upon our friends. Thanks be to thee for health of body, and the use of our reason; for the good word of thy grace, and the ordinances of thy house.

But above all we desire to praise and adore thee for Jesus Christ, and



redemption through Him. Thanks be to GOD for his unspeakable gift.

Accept, merciful Lord, this our tribute of prayer and praise; and enable us now to commend ourselves altogether into thy hands. Be our God, our Guardian, and Guide unto death; and finally, be thou our portion, our exceeding and eternal great reward, through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Redeemer, in whose name and words we would further call upon thee, saying,

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

#### EVENING PRAYER IV.

**O** THOU that hearest and answerest prayer, it is meet and right that unto thee all flesh should come. As

thou hast consecrated a way of access unto thyself, it is our duty, as well as our interest, to draw near unto thee. O Lord, pardon our neglect of this reasonable service. Pardon our backwardness to it, and the deadness and formality with which we often perform it.

We do not presume to draw near to thee, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies in Christ Jesus. We are assembled together in his name; fulfil thy gracious promise; be with us, and bless us.

Surely thou only, O God, canst satisfy the desires of our souls. O manifest thyself unto us; visit us with thy mercy, that we may rejoice and be glad in thee.

We are brought, by thy kind hand

upon us, to the close of another day. Goodness and mercy have followed us hitherto through life. Fresh favours have been heaped upon us. Fresh deliverances have been wrought for us. O write a law of gratitude upon our hearts, that we may praise thy name unfeignedly.

And may the remembrance that we are one day nearer our latter end, stir us up to serious recollection and fervent prayer. O Lord, teach us to redeem the time that remains, and so to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Quicken us in our pursuit of eternal things, and make us more lively and active in the discharge of every appointed duty. Forgetting the things which are behind, may we press forward to those which are be-

fore, for the prize of our high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Let it please thee to direct, sanctify, and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments.

May thy grace subdue every evil temper and affection in us; and cause the fruits of thy blessed Spirit to appear and abound in our whole walk and conduct, that we may adorn the doctrine of GOD our Saviour in all things.

Be thou, O Lord, our keeper this night, as thou hast been through the day past. Graciously give charge to thy angels to pitch their tents around our beds; and may we rise in the morning with fresh vigour, to run the way of thy commandments with-

out weariness, and to walk therein without fainting.

Hear our prayers, which we desire to offer up in behalf of our fellow-creatures, and fellow-christians. Let thy blessing be upon them, according as they stand in need.

Remember the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. Bless our Sovereign, [his Royal Consort, the Heir Apparent, and every branch of the family.]\* Give wisdom and uprightness to the King's Privy Council, and to all our nobility, judges, and magistrates. Bless the commonalty and poor of these realms : Increase the number of thy people daily, by adding to them such as shall be saved.

\* These words to be used, or omitted, as occasion may require.

Bless thy faithful ministers, wherever they are employed in thy vineyard; and make their labours abundantly useful.

Have compassion upon the sick and afflicted, the aged and infirm, widows and orphans; support and comfort them as their cases require.

Finally, bless all our friends, forgive our enemies, and receive these our prayers through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Redeemer.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### MORNING PRAYER V.

GLORIOUS and holy Lord God Almighty! impress it upon our minds, whenever we draw near to thee, that thou art a Spirit, and



requirest those that worship thee to do it in spirit and in truth.

Help us at all times to approach thee in sincerity of heart, through Jesus, the Mediator of the New Covenant. In Him, O Father, thou art always well pleased; in Him thou canst be just, and yet the Justifier of them that believe in Jesus: For his sake look in mercy upon us, and grant us thy blessing.

Enter not into judgment with us, for we cannot answer thee to one charge of a thousand. We are verily guilty before thee. Our transgressions are more in number than the hairs of our head; and they are not only many, but heinous too. We confess, O Lord, with shame, that we have sinned against light and knowledge; we have sinned

against great mercies and privileges; we have sinned against our own vows and resolutions. We desire not therefore to justify ourselves, but to confess before thee, that we are utterly unclean.

Yet, glory be to thee that there is forgiveness with thee; that there is a fountain opened for sin and for uncleanness. Lord, pardon and cleanse us; purge us, and we shall be clean; wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow. Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Look upon the face of Jesus Christ thine anointed, and shew thyself in Him reconciled unto us.

Remember us, for his sake, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people, and visit us with thy salvation. O give us to see the



felicity of thy chosen, to rejoice in the gladness of thy people, and to give thanks with thine inheritance.

Thou hast been pleased, in great kindness, to preserve us during the darkness and dangers of another night : accept our thanks for that and every mercy. O may we never be guilty of forgetting thy favours, because they are common.

Grant us thy gracious presence through the day on which we are now entering. Without this what good will life do us ? We shall but walk in a vain shadow, and disquiet ourselves in vain ; but lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us, and that shall give us peace.

Enable us to discharge the several duties of this day with diligence and faithfulness, as becomes the disciples

of Christ, and servants of the Most High God.

Deliver us from idleness and trifling, that we may not give the Tempter an advantage over us, nor disgrace our holy profession; but whatever our hands find to do in the way of duty, may we do it with all our might.

Yet, deliver us, O Lord, on the other hand, from too great attachment to the things of time and sense. O teach us the happy art so to use the present world, as those who do not abuse it.

Bless us as a family; regard our several states and conditions; implant thy fear in each of our hearts; write thy laws upon our minds; be thou our God, and may we be thy reconciled children in Christ Jesus.

Regard, in mercy, our dear friends and relatives, and all others for whom we ought to pray; give them, for Jesus Christ's sake, every needful blessing.

And now, O Lord, be pleased to accept our humble tribute of thanks for all the tokens of thy kindness to us: we cannot count the number of them; but grant we may ever retain such a sense of them, as may cause us to love and praise thee all our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

#### EVENING PRAYER V.

**O** LORD God of our salvation, day and night will we cry unto thee. Let our prayer enter into thy pre-

sence. Incline thine ear unto our calling.

We confess that we are unworthy to approach thee; but thou, Lord, art good and gracious, and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee in Christ Jesus.

In his name we now come before thee; in his merits we trust; of his righteousness we would make mention, and of that only. Look not therefore upon us in thine anger; though we justly deserve it; but turn thee unto us, and have mercy upon us. Comfort the souls of thy servants, for unto thee, O Lord, do we lift up our souls.

To whom else should we seek? For who is a God like unto thee, that pardonest iniquity, and passest by the transgression of the remnant

of thine heritage ; that retainest not thy anger for ever, because thou delightest in mercy ?

We are conscious, O Lord, that we have rebelled against thee, and therefore justly deserve to experience thine anger ; but O be not displeased at us for ever ; for Jesus Christ's sake turn again and quicken us, that thy people may rejoice in thee.

We have abundant cause to bless thee for what thou hast done, and continuest to do for us. Thy power protects us ; thy hand feeds us ; thy goodness supplies us with every blessing that tends to make life comfortable.

For these things it becomes us to praise thee, yet there are greater things than these which call for our gratitude and love.

Make us especially thankful for the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

Accept our thanks for the mercies of this day, for life and health, for food and raiment, for the use of our reason and bodily limbs, and for every other blessing which thou hast vouchsafed unto us.

O pardon the sins of the day, for in many things we offend against thee. Many are the failings and sins whereof our own consciences accuse us ; but how many more are known to thee who searchest the hearts, and triest the reins !

Be pleased, in mercy, to blot out our iniquities as a thick cloud, and as a cloud our sins ; let them be no more remembered against us, nor in future



have dominion over us. O cleanse thou us from our secret faults, and keep back thy servants also from presumptuous sins.

Of thy great mercy keep us in safety this night : preserve us from the danger and terror of devouring flames : protect us from the sons of violence and plunder. May no wicked spirits prevail to hurt us, nor any mischief come nigh our dwelling. Make our sleep refreshing ; and if we rise in safety from our beds, may we praise and serve thee with upright hearts.

Let our prayers come up before thee in behalf of all men. Extend thy compassions far and wide. Spread abroad the blessed Gospel till all the kingdoms of the world become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ.

Enlighten all Christian ministers with true knowledge and understanding of thy word.

Bless thy faithful people with an increase of grace, mercy, and peace. Let our dear friends be remembered of thee for good. Pardon our enemies, and all who speak reproachfully of us; and pardon us whereinsoever we have given them occasion so to do. Let thy blessing be with the sick and afflicted: sanctify their troubles, and in due time remove them.

These, and all other blessings, for them, for us, and all for whom we should pray, we humbly beg in the name and mediation of Jesus Christ our most blessed Lord and Saviour.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.



## MORNING PRAYER VI.

**ALMIGHTY** and everlasting God, who dwellest in the heavens, but beholdest the inhabitants of the earth, cast an eye of pity and kindness upon us thy creatures, now before thy footstool.

Call us not to account for our sins and transgressions : remember not against us our past or present iniquities ; but for thy Son Jesus Christ's sake, pardon and heal us.

Hear our prayers in mercy this morning ; incline thine ear to our supplications. We look to thee alone for help and comfort : disappoint not our hope, send us not empty away.

Thou knowest, O Lord, our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking : have pity upon us,

and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessed be thy name, O Father, that in Him all fulness dwells; fulness of pardon, peace, and holiness. O supply our wants out of that fulness: may we daily receive from Him all needful grace and strength.

Pardon our backwardness to ask for these blessings; our indifference about spiritual things, and too great eagerness after the things of this world.

Truly we may say, Our souls cleave unto the dust. O quicken us according to thy word.

As thou hast raised us this morning from the bed of sleep, quicken us

from our spiritual slumber, sloth, and negligence. Breathe, Heavenly Spirit, upon our dying graces. Make us more lively in every duty, and more vigorous in the way of thy precepts.

Enable us to lay aside every weight, and to run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.

May our eyes be ever directed unto Him, as our atonement, our righteousness, our pattern, and our guide.

Make us unfeignedly thankful for his death and passion, his resurrection, ascension and intercession. May we be happy partakers of the benefits of his mediation. Remember us, O Lord Jesus, as thou art now entered into thy kingdom.

Accept this our morning tribute of praise for the favours of the past

night : We might have awoke in the agonies of pain, or have been roused from our beds by some melancholy and distressing tidings ; whereas we are in health and peace, and surrounded with mercies. O how great is thy goodness ! Surely thou art worthy to be praised. Bless the Lord, O our souls.

Into thy hands we desire now to commit ourselves. May we be kept by thy power from sin and danger. Guide us in the path of duty. Keep our tongues from evil, and our lips that they speak no guile. Uphold us that our footsteps slip not. Disappoint the designs of our spiritual adversaries, and make our souls joyful in thy salvation. We ask all for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## EVENING PRAYER VI.

**O** LORD God Almighty! very great and very glorious art thou! Help us to approach thee, at all times, with solemnity, reverence, and godly fear.

Thou art the sovereign Lord of all; thou madest all things, and for thy pleasure they are, and were created. Thou upholdest all things by thy mighty power: thou rulest over the armies of heaven, and the inhabitants of the earth: thou puttest down one, and settest up another; and none may say unto thee, What doest thou?

We are lost in wonder when we reflect upon thy greatness and majesty; and still more so when we reflect upon thy goodness and mercy.

Lord, what is man, that thou



shouldest be mindful of him, or the son of man, that thou shouldest visit him? Yet hast thou been mindful of us in a wonderful manner, and hast most graciously visited us in our helpless, lost, and ruined state.

Thou hast given thy only begotten and well-beloved Son to be a ransom for our sins ; to suffer death upon the cross, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God.

Glory be to thee, O Father, that when we were cut off and separated from thee by sin, thou didst devise means whereby thy banished ones might be brought back unto thee.

Glory be to thee, thou eternal Son of the Father ! that thou wast pleased to take upon thee our nature, to become a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, in order that we, guilty

sinner, might be rescued from eternal damnation.

Glory be to thee, thou ever-blessed Spirit of all grace and truth ! that thou hast been pleased to reveal these things unto us, that we might have access by faith, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

O holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God ! what shall we render to thee, for the wonderful things thou hast done for the children of men !

O raise up, we pray thee, thy power ; come among us, and with great might succour us. Quicken us from our spiritual drowsiness and insensibility. Give us a more lively sense of thy mercies, and hearts more grateful to thee for them.

We must confess with shame be-



fore thee, that we are too much attached to things below ; that earthly trifles so engage us as to rob our souls of much spiritual comfort. Truly, O Lord, through our sins and wickedness we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us. O let thy bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us.

Grant, O merciful God, that the old Adam may be so buried in each of us, that the new man may be raised up in us.

Grant that all carnal affections may die in us, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in us.

Grant that we may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph against the devil, the world, and the flesh.

Grant us ever to have fellowship with thee, O heavenly Father, and with thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

May we not be of the number of those who walk in darkness, and only mind earthly things ; but may we live as those whose conversation is in heaven, and who seek those things which are above, where Christ sits at the right hand of God.

Be pleased graciously to accept our thanks for the continuance of thy kindness through another day. Surely to thee only we are indebted for every comfort we have received, and every peril we have escaped. Take us, merciful Father, under thy care this night. Pardon the sins of this day and of our whole lives. Spread now thy wing over us, so shall no harm happen unto us.

Remember all for whom we ought to pray. Bless all Christian ministers, wherever they are employed in thy vineyard. Water them abundantly with the dew of thy Holy Spirit. Deliver them from the fear of man, from seeking the applause of men, and from preaching themselves, or any thing else, instead of Christ Jesus the Lord.

O pardon our schisms, divisions, and want of brotherly love. Heal the breaches of thy people. Build the walls of Zion, and strengthen them, that the gates of hell may not prevail against them.

Pity the sick and afflicted : relieve those that are destitute : be the father of the fatherless, and the God of the widow ; and do for us, and all for whom we should pray, more than

we ask or think, for Jesus Christ's  
sake.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## SECOND SERIES.

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### LORD'S DAY MORNING.

**ALMIGHTY** and gracious God, who, in thy wisdom and goodness, didst cause the Sabbath to be made for man; for his repose, for his instruction, for the comfort and refreshment of his soul; we humbly pray thee that these ends may be answered upon us this day. May it be to us a day of rest from worldly cares and disquietudes, as well as from vanity and trifling.

May our hearts be prepared by thee (for to thee the preparation of the heart in man appertaineth), that we may receive humbly and thank-

fully the instruction that maketh wise unto salvation ; and may thy good Spirit seal it effectually upon our minds.

We thank thee that we are brought to see another Sabbath in safety and peace ; that it hath pleased thee to keep from us disaster and calamity during the night-season.

We thank thee that we can enjoy our Sabbaths in quietness and peace ; that we have no persecution or oppression of the enemy to disturb thine ordinances, or to alarm thy humble worshippers ; but that we can without fear go to the house of our God, both to present the tribute of our prayers and praises, and to receive the messages of thy grace, and the instructions of thy holy word.

Bless us, gracious God, in these



exercises, this day. Enable us to worship thee in spirit and in truth. May our prayers be accompanied with a true sense of our wants, and a firm belief that thou alone canst effectually supply them. May our confessions be attended with genuine humility and contrition of heart before thee ; our thanksgivings with sincere and lively gratitude for thy manifold mercies, and our intercessions with true Christian charity.\*

Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that with meek heart and due reverence, we may hear and receive thy holy word : may it be to each of us the source of comfort, encouragement, and support.

More especially we pray that the

\* The above constitutes the portion of prayer to which there is reference in the Editor's Preface.



glad tidings of the Gospel may cheer and refresh our souls ; and that Jesus Christ, whom it proclaims as the Saviour of sinners, may be all *our* salvation and all our desire. O may we rejoice in Him evermore, and live under the influence of his Holy Spirit.

Let thy gracious presence, this day, be with all the ministers of thy word. Assist and direct them, that they may speak the truth in love ; and may thus be made instrumental in setting forth thy glory, and setting forward the salvation of all men.

Let thy blessing be vouchsafed to all the congregations of thy saints. Wheresoever two or three are assembled together in the name of Jesus Christ, be thou with them to do

them good. May thy word be sanctified to the welfare of their souls ; and do thou fulfil their desires and petitions as may be most expedient for them ; granting them in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

Look with compassion, we beseech thee, upon heathen lands. O visit them with the light of thy truth ; and let all the ends of the earth see the salvation of our God.

May thy blessing rest upon all Societies and Institutions which have as their object the more extended propagation of the truth as it is in Jesus.

We commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed, in mind, body, or estate ; as well as all those who

desire to be remembered by us in our intercessions.

Hear us, O merciful Father, accept and bless us, through the merits and mediation of thy Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### LORD'S DAY EVENING.

**MOST** gracious and merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and, through Him, of all those who believe in his name ; we desire to present ourselves before thee, this evening, in unfeigned humility, and with lively gratitude.

We are utterly unworthy of the many favours which thou art continually conferring upon us ; we have

no claim upon the least of all thy mercies, and all thy truth, which thou hast shewed unto thy servants.

We therefore devoutly praise thee for all thy goodness to us in providence and in grace. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and forget not all his benefits !

We thank thee, more especially, this evening, for the mercies and privileges of the Sabbath : for the word of thy grace which has been read in our hearing, for the message of thy Gospel which has been announced for our acceptance, and for the opportunities which we have enjoyed of worshipping thee in quietness and without alarm.

We thank thee for any disposition which thou hast given us to value these privileges, and for such mea-

sures of thy grace as thou hast been pleased severally to confer upon us.

Nevertheless, thou knowest, O Lord, how frail and feeble we are in our best and most favoured condition ; how prone we are to wander from thee the God of our salvation ; how liable to forget the blessings bestowed, and the obligations consequently laid upon us.

O let not the privileges of the Sabbath, to the close of which we are now brought, be remembered against us in judgment ; but may the blessed results of them be found in us at the day of the appearing of Jesus Christ.

To the prayers which we have presented to thee this day, both in public and in private, may we receive an answer of peace, for the



Redeemer's sake, and through his prevailing intercession.

And grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through thy grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Forgive, we pray thee, whatever has been defective in our services, and whatever in our conduct has been inconsistent with our holy profession. Though iniquity cleaves even to our holy things, do thou, most merciful Father, make us accepted in the Beloved.

May the same blessings which we now ask for ourselves be granted to

all who have this day worshipped before thee, and listened to thy holy word.

May that word, through thy gracious providence, be communicated to those who have hitherto been destitute of the heavenly treasure, and may they receive it in love and gratitude, to the salvation of their souls.

Bring into the way of truth, we humbly beseech thee, all such as have erred and are deceived.

Succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation ; and be pleased to have mercy upon all men.

We pray thee to take us under thy protecting care through the approaching night ; to defend us from all dangers, ghostly and bodily ; and



to invigorate us with refreshing rest for the duties of another day, if it be thy will that our lives should be continued to us.

Prepare us all for the night of death. Whenever it arrives, may we sleep in Jesus; and at the last day, may we awake to a joyful resurrection through him. We humbly implore this and every other mercy in His name, and in reliance upon His mediation.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### MORNING PRAYER I.

**ALMIGHTY** and eternal God, who art incomprehensible in thy nature, and unchangeable in thy attributes, thou art great and greatly to be

feared ; thou art to be had in reverence of all those that are about thee.

Help us, we beseech thee, to come into thy sacred presence in unfeigned humility, remembering that thou art in heaven, and that we are upon earth.

Great is thy condescension in deigning to look down upon such sinful creatures as we are ; yet hast thou not only done this, but encouraged us to make known our requests unto thee, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving.

All our necessities are known unto thee ; and thou art able to supply them all out of the fulness that is in Jesus Christ.

For his sake pardon, we beseech thee, all our sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most

grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father ; forgive us, we beseech thee, all that is past ; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee, in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O grant us evermore thy supporting, directing, and cheering presence. In conflict with the adversaries of our souls may we be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. In doubts and difficulties may we be assisted with wisdom from above. In trials and distresses

may the joy of the Lord be our strength. Leave us not, neither forsake us, O God of our salvation.

Keep us this day in thy fear, and in the path of duty. Preserve us from danger ; deliver us from the power of temptation ; and in our respective employments and occupations grant us thy blessing.

Regard with thy merciful favour all our dear friends and relatives ; may they be partakers of thy grace here, and inheritors of thy glory hereafter.

Reward our benefactors and well-wishers ; forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

Comfort the afflicted, support the weak, relieve the destitute, and have mercy upon all mankind.

Let the Gospel of the Kingdom be preached unto all people ; and may all the ends of the world remember and turn unto the Lord, and all the kindreds of the nations worship before thee.

To these our prayers and intercessions we desire to add the unfeigned tribute of our praise.

We thank thee, most merciful Father, for all that thou *hast* done, and for all that thou *continuest to do* for us. We gratefully acknowledge thy goodness to us in the gifts of thy providential bounty ; but more especially in the richer blessings of thy redeeming grace. We praise thee for the promised influences of thy Holy Spirit ; for the actual experience of present consola-

tion; and for the glorious prospect of everlasting joy.

Hear us, in mercy, we humbly beseech thee; accept our services, exceed our petitions, and grant that we may at length attain the end of our faith, even the salvation of our souls, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### EVENING PRAYER I.

**ALMIGHTY** and most gracious God, who keepest the covenant and mercy to them that love thee, and to them that keep thy commandments; look down upon us, we pray thee, at this time with thy favour, and visit us with thy blessing. Shew us thy



mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation.

We desire to humble ourselves before thee, at thy footstool, in unfeigned penitence, and with the deepest contrition of soul to acknowledge our guilt and unworthiness.

We have sinned, and have committed iniquity ; we have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments. To us, O Lord, belongeth confusion of face, because we have sinned against thee, and broken thy holy laws.

Justly mightest thou hide from us the light of thy countenance, and visit us with merited tokens of thy displeasure. But thy nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive : yea, to the Lord our God



belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him.

O Lord, according to thy righteousness, we beseech thee, let thine anger be turned away from us. Blot out our transgressions for thine own sake, and remember not our sins. Take away all our iniquity, receive us graciously, and make us joyful in the knowledge and love of thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Forgive the sins which we have this day more especially committed against thee. May we retire to rest at peace with thee, and with all mankind; and do thou defend us from every danger through the approaching night.

We commend to thy blessing all for whom it is our duty to pray.

Their several situations and necessities are fully known to thee ; do thou graciously adapt thy mercies according to their respective need.

O let thy Church experience the comfort of thy continual presence, as well as the advantage of thy special protection. May Israel have cause to rejoice in Him that made him ; and the children of Zion to be joyful in their King. Save thy people, O Lord, and bless thine inheritance.

Extend, we beseech thee, the boundaries of the Redeemer's Kingdom ; and may the number of those who hear and embrace the Gospel be abundantly increased in every part of the world.

Let thy gracious favour and blessing accompany those faithful ministers of Jesus Christ, who, for his

name's sake, go forth with the glad tidings of salvation into distant lands, preaching peace through Him. O let them not run in vain, neither labour in vain !

And now, Lord, accept, we beseech thee, our grateful tribute of unfeigned praise, for the mercies of the day past, as well as for those of our whole lives. We thank thee for [continued health, and strength, and for]\* the supply of our returning bodily wants. But more especially we praise thee for spiritual blessings ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory, which thou hast afforded us, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Accept and bless us, we pray thee for his sake ; to whom with thee, O

\* This clause to be used or omitted, as occasion may require.

Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, we ascribe all honour and praise, glory and dominion, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## MORNING PRAYER II.

O LORD, our Governor, how excellent is thy name in all the world : thou hast set thy glory above the heavens. Thou art the first, and thou art the last ; and besides thee there is no God. Thou givest to all, life, and breath, and all things.

We are thy dependent creatures ; and as such we acknowledge thy sovereignty over us, and praise thee for thy dealings with us.

Thou hast visited us with the

blessings of thy goodness, and continue to do so from day to day ; thy mercies are renewed to us every morning.

As thou hast preserved us in safety through the past night, and hast brought us to the beginning of another day, defend us in the same with thy mighty power ; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger ; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight.

Grant, O Lord, that we may be duly sensible of the dangers to which we are ever exposed from a world that lieth in wickedness. Keep us, we beseech thee, from the evils with which it abounds ; preserve us from the baneful influence of bad example ;



and give us grace to live as those whose conversation is in heaven.

Enable us to mortify the deeds of the body, to crucify the flesh with its affections and lusts, and habitually to mind the things of the Spirit.

May we have grace and strength to defeat the designs of our adversary the devil, and to devote ourselves to thee alone with all the energies both of our bodies and of our souls.

May we not rest satisfied with present attainments either in knowledge or holiness ; but may we seek after a more enlarged acquaintance with the truth as it is in Jesus, and cultivate a growing conformity to the mind which was in Him.

Let thy blessing be vouchsafed to us collectively as a family and household ; and grant to each of us those

special mercies which thou knowest us individually to need.

May we be united to each other in Christian love and affection ; and may we all be united to Jesus Christ in the bonds of the everlasting covenant.

O forgive our sins, and offences, through the atoning blood of thy dear Son, and for his sake lead and guide us in the way everlasting.

Have mercy upon all men ; bless our friends and relatives every where ; forgive our enemies, and may *we* have grace to forgive them also ; comfort the afflicted, and relieve the destitute.

Visit thy Church and people with thy special grace and heavenly benediction ; may there be added to them daily such as shall be saved.



Bless our King and country ; and give to all nations, unity, peace, and concord.

These supplications and intercessions with our unfeigned tribute of praise we humbly present in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## EVENING PRAYER II.

**O** GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, we draw near unto thee, this evening, through Jesus Christ, thy beloved Son, to implore thy mercy and blessing, and to present unto thee the sacrifice of our thanks and praise.

We seek thy pardoning mercy, for

we have sinned against thee and done evil in thy sight. We acknowledge our offences before thee in penitence and humiliation of soul : O make us to know, by joyful experience, that thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We implore the sanctifying grace of thy Holy Spirit, for we are polluted and defiled. Sprinkle clean water upon us, and we shall be clean ; from all our filthiness, and from all our idols, do thou cleanse us. Give us also a new heart, and put a new spirit within us : take away the stony heart out of our flesh, and give us a heart of flesh. Put thy Spirit within us, and cause us to walk in thy statutes, and to keep thy judgments, and do them.

We pray thee to strengthen our faith, to enliven our hope, and to increase our love more and more. Give us grace, that we may abound in every good word and work, and adorn the doctrine of GOD our Saviour, in all things.

Look with compassion, we beseech thee, upon the whole race of mankind. May such as know thee, be enabled to rejoice in thee evermore : may they have fellowship with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ : may they walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God.—May such as have hitherto been estranged from thee in heart and life, be brought near unto thee in holy communion, through faith in thy dear Son, and

glorify thee, in will, word, and deed.

Have mercy upon those nations of the world, which have long been enslaved in the bondage of Satan. From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same, let thy name be great among the Gentiles; and in every place let incense be offered unto thy name, and a pure offering; yea, let thy name be great among the heathen.

Regard with thy loving-kindness thy ancient people the Jews. Turn them unto thyself, and take away the veil which is upon their heart. May they look on Him whom they have pierced and mourn; and may He be at once a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of thy people Israel.

Let thy continued blessing rest

upon our highly-favoured land. Be thou with our Sovereign Lord the King; and so replenish him with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that he may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way.

Let it please thee to endue the Lords of the Council, and all the Nobility, with grace, wisdom, and understanding. Bless and keep the magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth.

Support and comfort all that are in affliction and distress; sanctify their trials, and give them in due time a happy issue from them.

And now, Lord, accept, we beseech thee, our most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preser-

vation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world, by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

In the name of thy beloved Son we present to thee this our evening service, commending ourselves to thy care and protection through Him: to whom we ascribe with thee, O Father, and the Holy Ghost equal and everlasting praise. Amen.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### MORNING PRAYER III.

WE praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. Heaven



and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.

Fill our minds, we beseech thee, with holy reverence whenever we draw near unto thee, and give us grace to worship before thee, in godly fear.

We are not worthy, O Lord, to come into thy sacred presence ; to offer unto thee any service, or to ask of thee any favour.

However we may assist and benefit each other, we are conscious that no goodness of ours can extend unto thee. Thou puttest no trust in thy servants ; (and thine angels thou hast charged with folly ; ) how much less in them that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, which are crushed before the moth !

Nevertheless thou hast not left us

to perish ; but hast remembered us in our low estate, for thy mercy endureth for ever.

We approach thee, in the way which thou hast thyself appointed, through Jesus the Mediator of the new Covenant : for his sake lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us, and grant us every needful blessing.

Do thou, Lord, choose our inheritance for us ; determine the bounds of our habitation ; give us neither poverty nor riches ; feed us with food convenient for us.

Grant especially that our souls may prosper before thee. Give unto us the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of thyself and of thy Son Jesus Christ : may the eyes of our understanding be enlightened ;

that we may know what is the hope of thy calling, and what the riches of the glory of thine inheritance in the saints.

Make us diligent in the faithful discharge of our respective duties in life. Enable us to bear with patience and Christian resignation every trial that may be appointed us ; and may all the dispensations of thy providence be sanctified to our real good.

Teach us to live as strangers and pilgrims on the earth ; may we be looking, by faith, for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God ; and do thou enable us to pass the time of our sojourning here in fear.

Let it please thee to give us true repentance ; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances ;

and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word.

We humbly implore thy blessing on all our dear friends and relatives ; may they be thy children by adoption and grace ; and do thou give them every temporal comfort that may be expedient for them.

Look with tender compassion on the poor and needy, the sick and afflicted, the aged and infirm. Bless them all, according to their several necessities, and sanctify their trials.

Let it please thee to have mercy upon all men ; and, more especially, to bless and keep all thy people.

Make us truly thankful to thee for every instance of thy goodness towards ourselves and others, both in providence and in grace.

We bless thee for thy merciful care over us through the night past, and for the many comforts with which we are now surrounded: but above all for the gift of thy beloved Son, and the spiritual privileges which we enjoy through Him.

In his prevailing name we present these our unworthy services; beseeching thee to hear us while we call upon thee further in the words wherein He hath taught us to pray.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### EVENING PRAYER III.

**MOST** gracious and merciful God, by whose protecting care, and kind providence, we have been preserved and kept through the day past; we



desire, this evening, to present ourselves before thee, at thy footstool, with feelings of devout gratitude and praise.

We know not what dangers we have escaped, or how many have been the deliverances which thou hast wrought out for us; but our spared lives, and the many blessings which we enjoy, testify that we are monuments of thy forbearance.

Thou hast not dealt with us after our sins, neither hast thou rewarded us according to our iniquities.

We thank thee, O Lord, for thy forbearance and mercy towards us, and for the many blessings which thou hast conferred upon us.

But, alas! we have not honoured thee as we ought to have done; we have not devoted ourselves to thee as



it became us to do ; we have not set thee continually before us in all our ways.

In too many instances we have sought our happiness in carnal gratifications, or earthly vanities ; and have loved and served the creature more than the Creator.

For thy name's sake, O Lord, pardon our iniquity ; for it has been great indeed. Forgive us all our sins past, through the atoning blood of thy dear Son ; and grant us the assistance of thy Holy Spirit, that henceforth we may give ourselves up to thy service, and walk before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days.

O let us not seek our rest in this transitory world ; but may we desire a better country, that is, an heaven-

ly ; and be followers of them, who through faith and patience inherit the promises. May we seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God ; and while we are in the world, may we be kept from the evil to which we are exposed in it, and live as those whose conversation is in heaven.

We pray to thee in behalf of all our fellow-christians, in every part of the world. Vouchsafe to them the consolations of thy special presence ; build them up in the faith and hope of the Gospel ; give them victory over all their enemies ; and bring them at length to thy everlasting glory, with exceeding joy.

Visit, we beseech thee, the dark and benighted regions of the earth with

the clear light of the truth as it is in Jesus ; and may multitudes be made wise unto salvation, through faith which is in Him.

Extend thy compassion, we pray thee, to all the sons and daughters of affliction : be thou a father of the fatherless : defend thou the cause of the widows ; and comfort those who have none upon earth to support and help them.

Have mercy upon all men ; reward our benefactors and well-wishers ; forgive our enemies, and turn their hearts.

And now, Lord, take us under thy merciful care and protection. May we rest in safety, this night, under thy sheltering wing ; and if we are spared to the returning day, may we rise with recruited strength, and

apply ourselves with renewed vigour to the duties which lie before us.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and accept us, for the sake of thy beloved Son, our only Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

#### MORNING PRAYER IV.

**O** THOU Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning; as the sun in the firmament cheers and enlivens the face of nature, so dost thou gladden the hearts of thy people, and exhilarate the souls of those who look up to thee for thy blessing.

Thou art the same yesterday, and

to-day, and for ever. Thy property is always to have mercy ; therefore are we encouraged to seek thee at the throne of grace, and to make known our requests unto thee, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving.

Regard us, we beseech thee, for Jesus Christ's sake, with thy loving-kindness and mercy. Remember us, O Lord, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people. O visit us with thy salvation.

Our sins and provocations against thee have indeed been many and grievous ; and we desire to abase ourselves before thee, on account of them, in the deepest penitence and humiliation of soul.

But, O most gracious God, who declarest thy almighty power, most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity ;



forgive, we beseech thee, all that we have in time past committed against thy Divine Majesty in thought, word, and deed ; and mercifully grant us, for the time to come, such a measure of thy grace, that we running the way of thy commandments may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Subdue in us the power and love of sin ; cast down every imagination, and every high thing that might exalt itself in our hearts, against the knowledge of thyself ; and bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.

Make us diligent and faithful in the prosecution of our respective employments, and in the discharge of our various duties in the world.



Amidst them all may we set thee continually before us, and may thy blessing at all times attend and follow us.

We thank thee, O Lord, this morning, for the protection which thou hast afforded us during the hours of sleep and darkness; in which we are more especially helpless, as well as, in many respects, more peculiarly exposed to danger. We thank thee for the degree of rest which we have enjoyed, and for the comforts with which we find ourselves again surrounded. We thank thee for all the temporal blessings which thou continuest to bestow upon us; for our spared lives and faculties; for the degree of health which thou hast granted us; for food and raiment; and for every social and domestic en-

dearment. But above all we desire to praise and glorify thy holy name, for spiritual blessings, in heavenly things, in Christ Jesus : for the light of thy truth ; for the word of thy grace, the Gospel of thy salvation, and the sanctifying influence of thy Holy Spirit.

We pray that the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom may be more abundantly promoted ; that the mountain of the Lord's house may be established in the top of the mountains ; that it may be exalted above the hills ; and that all nations may flow unto it.

Let thy blessing rest abundantly upon our Sovereign Lord the King. Grant unto his whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may, in truth and

without partiality, minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

To the pastors of thy flock vouchsafe, we beseech thee, thy special grace; be pleased to preserve, direct, and bless them in the discharge of their important duties; and when the chief Shepherd shall appear, may they receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Be gracious to our fellow Christians and to all mankind; and do for us, and for them, more than we ask or think, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## EVENING PRAYER IV.

**O** ETERNAL and ever-blessed Lord God, who hast not said to the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain; we are encouraged by the gracious invitations of thy word to approach thee as supplicants for thy mercy, and to present our requests to thee, mingled with our praises and thanksgivings, through the mediation of Jesus Christ.

O may we know Him as our Saviour, rely on Him as our Advocate, and follow Him as our Guide.

May the contemplation of his revealed character be familiar to our minds, and the views which are afforded us of his love, produce in us the liveliest emotions of gratitude.

May we see more distinctly the

need which we have of an interest in Him, and in all that He has done and suffered for us and for our salvation.

Grant us a true faith in Him for the pardon of our sins, and acceptance with thee ; for peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, and the final attainment of everlasting life.

May we be renewed in the spirit of our minds, by the effectual operation of His special grace. May all carnal affections die in us, and all things belonging to the Spirit live and grow in us.

May the same mind be in us which was also in Christ Jesus : that we may be kind and tender-hearted, patient and forbearing, humble and submissive.

After his example, and according



to his injunction, may we bless them that curse us ; do good to them that hate us ; and pray for them which despitefully use us, and persecute us.

We thank thee, O Lord and heavenly Father, that thou didst give thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life ; give us grace therefore that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

We present to thee, this evening, the tribute of our grateful praise for the comforts and blessings of the day past, and for all the mercies which thou hast conferred upon us from the earliest period of our lives.



Take us under thy gracious care, we humbly beseech thee, during the night-season ; guard and defend us when we cannot even think about our own safety ; and let no calamity approach to hurt us.

The same blessings, both temporal and spiritual, which we ask for ourselves, we earnestly implore for all those who are near and dear to us. May they be sustained by thy bountiful providence, guided by thy Holy Spirit, and at length received to thy heavenly glory.

Protect and defend thy Church against all assaults of the enemy ; bless and keep thy faithful people ; and have mercy upon all mankind.

Accept, O Lord, these our supplications and thanksgivings ; not for any merit or righteousness of our

own, (for in this respect we have nothing to present unto thee;) but for thy own Name's sake, and through the mediation of Jesus Christ the Righteous, who died for our sins, and rose again for our justification. To Him, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### MORNING PRAYER V.

**O** LORD, who art the refuge and strength of those who put their trust in thee, we humbly betake ourselves to thee for thy blessing, and implore thy mercy in the name of Jesus Christ.

Give ear to our prayer, O God;

and hide not thyself from our supplication ; attend unto us, and hear us in thy righteousness and truth.

We seek thy pardoning mercy, O Lord, for we have sinned against thee, and transgressed thy commandments. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done ; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done ; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.

Give us true repentance, and make us heartily sorry for all our sins and provocations ; for all that we have committed against thee, in thought, word, or deed.

Grant us thy grace to correct our evil inclinations, to renew our hearts, and to sanctify our lives. Turn thou

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thing to present unto thee ;) but  
thy own Name's sake, and through  
the mediation of Jesus Christ  
Righteous, who died for our  
and rose again for our justification  
To Him, with the Father and  
Holy Ghost, be honour and glory  
ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### MORNING PRAYER VI.

O LORD, who art the refuge  
strength of those who put their  
in thee, we humbly betake our  
to thee for thy blessing, and in  
thy mercy in the name of  
Christ.

Give ear to our prayer, O



may multitudes be converted unto thee.

We beseech thee, also, to keep thy church and household continually in thy true religion ; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power.

May all our dear friends and relatives be the objects of thy gracious care ; and may they daily receive from thee every needful blessing. Forgive our enemies ; and have mercy upon all men.

Defend, we pray thee, all Christian Kings, princes, and governors, and make them blessings to mankind, and promoters of true religion.

And now, most merciful Father, we devoutly thank thee, for all thy goodness to us. We are less than



the least of thy mercies; and we praise thee unfeignedly for them all. But especially we thank thee for the most signal manifestation of thy love, in the gift of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. In His name we present this our bounden service of prayer and praise; calling upon thee further, in the words in which he hath taught us to address thee.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

#### EVENING PRAYER V.

**O** ETERNAL and ever-blessed God, whom angels and all the company of heaven worship and adore; grant us, we beseech thee, becoming sentiments of thy greatness and glory, as well as encouraging views of thy goodness and grace.

May we present ourselves before thee, with a reverential awe of thy Divine Majesty, and with a humble reliance on thy bountiful mercy.

Thou art the King of glory, and thou dwellest in light whereunto no man can approach; yet dost thou humble thyself to behold the dwellers upon earth, and visitest the sons of men with the choicest blessings.

In Jesus Christ thou revealest thyself unto us as a God of tender compassion; gracious and merciful, slow to anger, pardoning iniquity, transgression and sin.

We are therefore encouraged to approach thee, and to seek, at thy footstool, the blessings which we so greatly need.

Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Strength-

en us with thy heavenly grace ; uphold us with thy free Spirit ; mercifully look upon our infirmities ; and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thou hast brought us in safety thus far towards the close of another day. We thank thee for the mercies which we have received at thy hands in the course of it ; and we pray thee to forgive whatever thou hast seen in us inconsistent with our Christian profession, and at variance with thy revealed will.

Keep us mindful, good Lord, of the shortness and uncertainty of our continuance here ; and prepare us by thy grace for a happier and better world. Whenever the night of death

shall arrive, may we be found ready for it; may our departure hence be calm and peaceful; and when we have done with this earthly state for ever, may we be with Christ, which is far better.

Blessed be thy name for the promises of thy Holy Word, which are exceeding great and precious; and all which in Jesus Christ are sure and steadfast. Blessed be thy name for present privileges, and future prospects; for the communion of saints, the ordinances of grace, and the fellowship of the Spirit; for the pledges of heavenly society, the foretastes of eternal happiness, and the anticipation of being for ever with the Lord.

We commend to thy blessing all our fellow-creatures, in every situa-

tion, and under all circumstances. Let it please thee to make thy ways known unto them ; thy saving health unto all nations.

Guard with thy special protection those who are more particularly exposed to danger ; defend and preserve all that travel by land or by water ; and make them duly thankful for thy watchful care over them.

Be with all those who are placed in situations of authority, trust, and importance : give them grace faithfully to discharge their respective duties, to thy glory, and to the benefit of mankind.

Hear us, we beseech thee, in these our supplications ; accept the tribute of praise which we have presented to thee ; and defend us, this night, and evermore, from all dangers and dis-

asters, ghostly and bodily, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

### MORNING PRAYER VI.

**ALMIGHTY** and ever-living God, we pray thee to look down upon us with thy favour, and to vouchsafe us thy blessing, this morning. We present ourselves before thee in the name of Jesus Christ ; for his sake incline thine ear to the voice of our calling.

Pour out upon us, we beseech thee, the spirit of grace and supplication ; teach us what things we should pray for, and enable us to pray aright.

We desire most heartily to thank thee, for access to the throne of grace. O may we constantly avail ourselves



of this inestimable privilege ; and in so doing, may we obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Thou, Lord, knowest our wants and necessities, far more fully than we are able to declare them, or even than we are acquainted with them ourselves. Thou knowest the dangers to which we may be exposed, and the temptations with which we may be assailed this day. Thou knowest the power, the vigilance, and the inveteracy of our foes, and how many they are who would rejoice to do us harm.

In ourselves, O Lord, we have no resources for the supply of our need ; replenish us, we pray thee, out of the fulness which is in Jesus Christ. Our own foresight and wisdom are but ignorance and folly ; do thou warn and

instruct us with thy timely counsel. Our own resolutions are but frail and uncertain ; do thou confirm and establish us with thy special grace. Our own strength is perfect weakness, do thou uphold and succour us with thy almighty power.

Thou knowest, O Lord, the groveling tendency of our affections, and the irregular workings of our desires ; try us, we beseech thee, and seek the ground of our hearts ; prove us, and examine our thoughts ; look well if there be any way of wickedness in us ; and lead us in the way everlasting.

Grant us, we beseech thee, a more humbling view of our own guilt and helplessness, together with a more animating confidence in the merits and sufficiency of our Saviour ; may

we trust in Him at all times, and evermore rejoice in his Salvation.

Preserve us from day to day in thy steadfast faith and fear; direct us in the path of duty; and make us, in all things, and at all times, to seek thy honour and glory.

May we be indeed ashamed of our past neglect of thee, and of thy service; of the coldness and insensibility of our hearts; of our backwardness to engage in the employments of devotion; and of the feebleness of our efforts to adorn our Christian profession.

Stir us up, we beseech thee, to holy zeal, diligence, and exertion; quicken us by thy mighty power; and give to each of us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments.

While we attend to our lawful and necessary concerns in the world, may we be kept from an undue attachment to earthly things, having our conversation in heaven.

Make us diligent and faithful in the discharge of all our relative duties ; giving no occasion to the enemies of religion to reproach it on our account.

Hear us, O Lord, in behalf of all sorts and conditions of men. Relieve the sick and needy ; comfort the afflicted and distressed ; instruct the ignorant ; reclaim those who have backslidden ; strengthen such as do stand ; and direct inquiring souls into the way of salvation.

Receive, we beseech thee, our cordial thanks, for all thy mercies conferred upon us, both in temporal and

spiritual things. Pardon all our past ingratitude, as well as all our other sins. Help us to praise thee with all fervency of spirit for the time to come ; and prepare us for thy kingdom and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.

## EVENING PRAYER VI.

(SATURDAY.)

**O** LORD and heavenly Father, thou art good to all, and thy tender mercies are over all thy works. Thou art nigh unto all them that call upon thee, to all that call upon thee in truth.

We desire now to come into thy presence, in devout humiliation of



soul, but with the lively confidence of unfeigned faith.

Thy care over us has been graciously continued through another day and another week. We pray thee to accept our thanks for the many blessings which thou hast been pleased to confer upon us ; and for the many comforts and privileges which we continue to enjoy.

We bless and praise thee, O Lord, for the spiritual light and religious liberty with which, through thy gracious Providence, we are so abundantly favoured.

We thank thee for the records of thy holy word, and the ministration of thy blessed Gospel ; for the ordinances of thy grace, and the services of thy house.

We pray that we may be enabled



from time to time cheerfully and thankfully to withdraw ourselves from worldly concerns, for the purpose of holding more intimate communion with thee our God. O manifest thyself unto us, as thou dost not unto the world; and refresh us with the light of thy countenance, and the tokens of thy love.

Prepare us, we beseech thee, for thy approaching Sabbath. Grant that it may be to us all a day of sacred rest, and a season of spiritual comfort and edification.

Protect and defend thy Universal Church, and bless thy faithful people, in every part of the world. Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Send down, O Lord, upon our Bishops and Curates, and all Con-

gregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing.

And that there may never be wanting a succession of faithful and able Ministers, to labour in thy Word and Doctrine, let thy blessing rest upon all schools, and seminaries of religious and useful learning; and especially upon the Universities of our land. Grant that many may come forth thence, not only endowed with human wisdom and science, but largely instructed by thy Holy Spirit, that they may be enabled to teach others in the truths of thy Gospel, and to lead them in the way of salvation.

Let it please thee to visit the dark places of the earth with the light of

thy truth, and to make known the blessings of redemption to all mankind. Grant that the power of Satan may be overthrown, and the kingdoms of the world become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ. May all know thee, from the least to the greatest, and evermore glorify thee both in heart and life.

Be pleased to keep and strengthen our most gracious King and Governor in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life: may he evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and glory; and be thou his defender and keeper, giving him the victory over all his enemies.

Bless all our friends and relatives, and those who desire to be remembered in our intercessions. Grant

that their souls may prosper and be in health ; and give them such temporal blessings as may be most expedient for them.

Forgive our enemies, and all who have sought to injure us ; enable *us* to forgive them, and to seek their good.

Bind up the broken-hearted ; relieve the sick and needy ; succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation ; and have mercy upon the whole race of mankind.

We commend ourselves to thy fatherly care and protection this night. May we be invigorated with refreshing rest, and strengthened for the duties of thy own day. Qualify us, we pray thee, for thy faithful service in this world, and prepare us for

thy everlasting glory in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord: to whom, with thee, O Father, and the Holy Ghost, we ascribe all honour and glory, dominion and power, for ever and ever. Amen.


Our Father, &c.

The Grace of our Lord, &c.






## APPENDIX.



### PRAYERS, &c.

WHICH MAY BE SEVERALLY INSERTED ON  
THE FOLLOWING OCCASIONS.



#### CHRISTMAS DAY.

**MOST** gracious and merciful God,  
who, as at this time, didst send thy  
Son into the world, not to condemn  
the world, but that the world through  
Him might be saved; grant us a  
true and lively faith in Him, that  
we may be partakers of all the bene-  
fits of His incarnation, following the  
steps of His most holy life, and con-  
stantly praising Him for the love

wherewith He hath loved us, and the condescending grace which He manifested in visiting and redeeming His people, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

LAST EVENING OF THE YEAR.

**O** LORD, as thou hast brought us to the close of another year of our short lives, stir us up, we pray thee, to becoming seriousness and reflection. Make us truly thankful for the innumerable mercies which we have received at thy hands; and for Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all our sins, which we have committed against thee. Prepare us for the hour of death, for the end of time, and for the enjoyment of eternity, through the same, thy Son our Lord.

## FIRST MORNING OF THE YEAR.

WE acknowledge with thankfulness, O our God, thy fatherly care over us, in bringing us safely to the beginning of another year. Give us grace, we pray thee, to devote ourselves afresh to thy service, and may we glorify thee, in newness of heart and life; that whenever our mortal course shall be completed, and our existence no longer measured by months and years, we may be for ever happy in thy presence and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## GOOD FRIDAY.

GIVE us grace, we beseech thee, O heavenly Father, at this time more especially, so to contemplate the suf-

ferings and death of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, that while we are deeply abased on account of our sins, which nailed Him to the cross, we may be cheered and comforted with the joyful hope of everlasting life, as the purchase of his obedience unto death, and filled with gratitude to Him for his abounding love towards us, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

## EASTER DAY.

**GRANT**, O Lord, we beseech thee, that as thy Son Jesus Christ died for our sins, and, as at this time, rose again for our justification; we also may daily die unto sin, and live unto God; that so, in the last day, when He shall come again in his

glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through Him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever.

## ASCENSION DAY.

**MOST** merciful Father, whose Son Jesus Christ, having risen from the dead, and ascended into heaven, ever liveth at the right hand of God, and there maketh intercession for us ; give us grace that we may seek those things which are above, and evermore have our conversation in heaven, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

## WHIT SUNDAY.

**MOST** gracious God, who, as at this time, didst pour out thy Holy

Spirit upon the apostles and other disciples of our blessed Lord ; grant us, we beseech thee, the instruction, guidance, and consolation of the same Spirit ; that having our hearts directed into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ, we may evermore rejoice in the blessed hope of everlasting life, through the merits of thy beloved Son our only Mediator and Redeemer.

TRINITY SUNDAY.

**HOLY**, holy, holy Lord of Hosts, give us grace, we humbly pray thee, in the steadfastness of an unshaken faith, evermore to worship the Trinity of Persons, in the Unity of the



undivided Godhead, to the comfort of our souls, and the glory of thy name, who livest and reignest ever one God, world without end.

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## IN CASE OF SICKNESS.

**LOOK** with mercy, we pray thee, O Lord, on that member of our family, on whom thou hast laid thy afflicting hand. If it be thy good pleasure, restore [*him*] to health and strength; and fill our hearts with gratitude, and our lips with thy praises. But if it be thy will that it should be otherwise with [*him*], prepare [*him*] for whatever thou mayest appoint, and grant us all an entire resignation to thy will, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## ON RECOVERY.

WE thank thee, O Lord, for thy gracious goodness to [*him*] whom thou hast raised from sickness ; and we pray that [*his*] spared life may be devoted to thy service, and that we may all be unfeignedly thankful to thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

IN ANY SEASON OF SPECIAL  
AFFLICTION.

LET it please thee, O Lord, graciously to remove from us, in due time, the afflictive dispensation with which thou hast visited us ; in the mean time give us patience under our suffering, and grant that it may be sanctified to our real and ever-

lasting good, for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord.

WHEN ANY REMARKABLE BLESS-  
ING HAS BEEN CONFERRED.

WE thank thee, O Lord, for all thy goodness and mercy to us, but especially for what thou hast recently done for us. Preserve us, we pray thee, from abusing thy mercies, or sinning against thee; and sanctify us wholly through Jesus Christ our Lord.

BEFORE A JOURNEY.

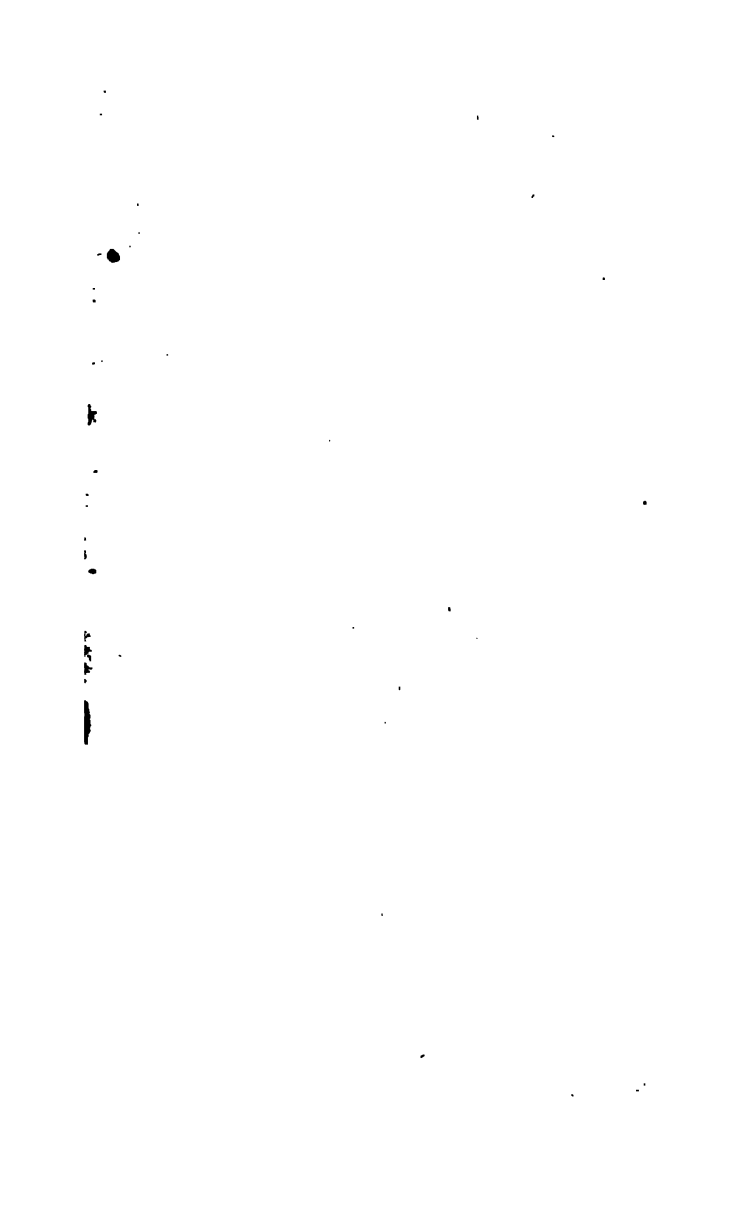
PRESERVE us, we pray thee, O Lord, from the dangers to which we may be exposed in travelling; bring us in safety to the end of our jour-

ney, and fill our hearts with gratitude to thee our Preserver and Keeper, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ON SAFE ARRIVAL FROM A  
JOURNEY.

WE thank thee, O Lord, for thy care over us in travelling; and we beseech thee to lead us by a right way to the city of habitation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE END.







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